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SUBJECT: ANTI-SOVIET CAMPAIGN INTENSIFIED

1. LAST FEW DAYS HAS WITNESSED INTENSIFICATION ANTI-SOVIET ATMOSPHERE IN KHARTOUM. ON SATURDAY, MAY 7 SUDANESE WOMEN CONDUCTED DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF SOVIET EMBASSY HERE. ANTI-SOVIET PARADE SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, MAY 9. ANTI-SOVIET TONE OF EDITORIALS IN GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED PRESS MORE BITTER AND MORE PRECISELY DIRECTED AGAINST SOVIETS THAN WAS SO PREVIOUSLY. RULING SUDAN SOCIALIST UNION HAS ALSO JOINED CAMPAIGN WITH A STATEMENT BY ONE OF ITS ORGANIZATIONS CHARGING THAT NEW SOVIET POLICY IN ARAB AND AFRICAN AREAS IS CLEAR VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL PRINCIPLES AND CHARTERS. REFERENCE BY NIMEIRI IN SPEECHES MADE DURING LAST FEW WEEKS TO "NEW SOCIALIST IMPERIALISM" BEING REPEATED IN LOCAL PRESS.

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2. COMMENT: SUDAN GOVT LED BY NIMEIRI HAS BEEN LINKING SOVIETS WITH ANTI-REGIME POLICIES AND ACTIVITIES OF QADHAFI AND MENGISTU SINCE LAST SUMMER. HOWEVER, RECENT STEPS HAVE BEEN NOTICEABLE BY THEIR DIRECT, PUBLIC -- AND PUBLICIZED -- CRITICISMS OF SOVIETS. IT OBVIOUS THAT THIS IS COORDINATED -- CRITICISMS OF SOVIETS.

IT OBVIOUS THAT THIS IS COORDINATED CAMPAIGN BACKED BY SUDAN GOVT, BUT WE CANNOT SAY DEFINITELY WHETHER NIMEIRI HAS WORKED THIS PROGRAM OUT AHEAD OF TIME WITH HIS EGYPTIAN AND SAUDI ALLIES, ALTHOUGH WE ASSUME THEY SHARE HIS ANTIPATHY TOWARD SOVIETS AND WOULD BE PLEASED BY CURRENT PUBLIC CONDEMNATIONS OF SOVIET ACTIVITIES IN REGION. BOGOSIAN

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